RAJYA SABHA [22 February, 2001]

Length of the corridor would vary depending on the port of origin and destination.

CNG Buses in Delhi

208. SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether CNG buses are being introduced in the National Capital Territory of Delhi to reduce pollution;
 - (b) whether CNG is harmful for health;
- (c) whether drivers and passengers may be victims of paralysis and cancer like diseases;
- (d) whether any expert opinion was taken before placing orders for manufacturing of CNG buses;
 - (e) if so, the details of their opinion; and
 - (f) whether the matter regarding CNG buses is also in litigation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (MAJ. GEN. (RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI.: (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) Emissions from CNG vehicles are comparatively less harmful for health than diesel and petrol vehicles.
 - (c) No, such case has been reported so far.
 - (d) No. Sir.
 - (e) Does not arise.
 - (f) Yes, Sir.